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Plantin' time's already here And will soon be gone;

Hoein' time will soon appear As the year rolls on;

'Last of May in Vermont',--D.L.Cady.

This year, we may not boast of an 'early season' for, as April nears its end, we find ice and snow in our woods; farmers talking of one more 'run' of sap--the Frog Run--; and in the nursery, beds still covered with straw. Warmer days are in prospect we know, but for the present we may talk of cold, and the fact that our plants are in a more dormant state than is usual at this time. The winter was kind. Steady cold weather and adequate covering brought us thru with much less than the usual loss and now, with plants still dormant, we are the best possible shape to give your order prompt, satisfactory, attention.

This circular is sent out as a reminder. First of all, many find it difficult to recall that here we are still likely to have frosty nights and that we have just begun shipping. If trees have leaves with you, can you imagine that on April 23rd, the soft Maples had not begun to flower? And our beds of plants are not depleted. As you find a treasure missing in your borders, just look in our March 15th circular, and ten to one you will find we have it. And this circular reminds you that we still have it, dormant, ready to ship. Last of all, we want to call to your attention, a few things which have increased and wintered well, and which are not well known. We could not stress them properly in March. Read about them here.

All plants are field-grown unless otherwise noted. Our prices include delivery, east of the Mississippi. Add 5% for points west.

DWARF HYBRID DAHLIAS.

The vogue of these Dwarf Dahlias, is spreading. For a number of years, they have been used for bedding purposes in England, and the sales have steadily mounted. As they are easily grown from seed, and may be had in flower quite early, continuing thruout the summer, they have been a cheap and satisfactory substitute for the Geranium. And, with the coming of colors and types other than the original red Coltness Gem, they have found their way into mixed plantings as well.

We have found that for our cool springs, with late planting to escape frost, a necessity, the potted seedling plant is best. But the extra weight, and care required in shipping these to any distance, caused us to attempt growing them from dried tubers. We found them entirely satisfactory, the resulting plant flowering while still small, and the growth very strong, stocky and plentiful. The tubers are small, firm, and store well. So that, last year, we raised a quantity of both the Coltness and the Unwin strains, and this spring, we have the dry tubers to offer, at a much lower price, due to the saving in carrying costs, and packing material.

Plant these tubers as you would any other Dahlia, but set them about twelve inches apart, if wanted for close bedding effect. Or scatter them thruout your Perennial borders, where they will delight with bright starry flowers, some three inches across, from July, on.

Strong single tubers, -15¢ each; 10 for \$1.25; 25 for \$2.50, -POSTPAID.
For bedding, we offer, -5, alike (from same clump) for 75¢, -POSTPAID.

OUR NEWEST PERENNIALS.

Scattered thruout the March circular, were many fine things, a few of which we offered for the first time. Some will be difficult to find in any other lists. One or two are old favorites, that were not plentiful and of which we have succeeded in growing a goodly number. In March we could not describe them fully. Here we shall do so at more length.

ANEMONE PULSATILLA ALBA.

The Pasque Flower is at home on sandy soils, with a moderate lime content. Its lavender bells, with their wooly covering are among the first really good flowers of spring, and they continue to open over a long period. The foliage is always good, until it begins to ripen and disappear in midsummer, when it may be cut away. We have succeeded in selecting seed of the white flowered form, until we can depend on it to give 100% true white blooms, of good size, and quality, and plants of vigor. The flowers are pure glistening white, and much as we like the true Pasque Flower, or its earlier cousin, the Vernal Anemone, we confess to stealing out at every opportunity, when the White Pasque Flower is in bloom. And so will you, if you will buy them right away, for you can enjoy them this May, if you hurry.

EACH, -25¢; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 25 for \$4.50, -POSTPAID.

ASTER BARR'S PINK.

Barr's Pink hardy aster is a grand improvement over the old rosy form of the native New England Aster. The flower is larger, and the color is clearer and brighter, without any of the objectionable fading tendency of n.a. roseus. In growth, it is identical, a typical New Englander. A tall strong stem, to four and five feet, crowned with a branching head two feet or more across. No troubles seem to affect the foliage, and while the stem will need a stake, if it is fully exposed to the wind, it is large and strong enough to support the head, if tied properly, a few feet above the ground. This Aster is fine for the background of the border, for fall color. It hasn't shown too rampant tendencies. It is ironclad in winter, and only a heavy frost spoils the blooms. Plentifully scarce for a number of years. Now we have a goodly number, and can supply you for--

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

ASTILBE MARGARET VON RECHTEREN.

This Astilbe has the finely divided foliage, and the large woody root crown of the commonly grown Astilbe Queen Alexandra. But it stands far above the heads of all the older sorts, when in bloom. One need not fear that it will take possession of the garden as the old Spirea palmata used to do. But its tall, gracefully drooping spike of red-lilac flowers is a fine change from the stiffly erect panicles of the older sorts, and make it fine either as a specimen, or as a part of the border background. While we have had this for several years, we have been prone to overlook it because of the advantages attached to the shorter sorts. Last year, before we divided the crowns, in midsummer, they had flowered heavily, and we decided to give it a good word at the first opportunity. ALSO- Astilbe Professor Van der Weilen, is identical, save that the flowers are white. Both stand nearly five feet tall, in bloom.

EITHER VARIETY, -25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 25 for \$4.50, -POSTPAID.

DELPHINIUM MOERHEIMII.

It is not so many years ago, that this pure white flowered Larkspur was the only one available. Then forms appeared that set seed, and that reproduced themselves quite true to color. It is interesting to note, that during the period when seedling whites were in vogue, we did not grow any of them, but continued to increase our few plants of Moerheimi, which does not set seed. A certain skilled plantsman, we recall, was much interested in the seedling whites, and grew many strains. Last summer, he visited us, in early September, when Moerheimi was in its fine fall bloom. Looking at it, he said " If I had that, I'd throw away all the others ". You may have it, in fine strong flowering roots, for \$1.00 each, postpaid.

OUR NEWEST PERENNIALS.

DORONICUM CORDIFOLIUM.

Our mother once remarked that she didn't care what color a flower was,-so long as it was yellow.Perhaps that accounts for our partiality to the Leopardbanes,of which this is one. But it must be admitted,that when the common D.caucasicum has spread thru a bed of other plants,to come up everywhere,and demand spading out,then we get a little tried. So,when this plant first flowered for us,a few years ago--we purchased it from a great firm of Hardy Plantsmen--we admired its shining yellow daisies,but that was all.Then visitors began to ask for it,and to send others in for it,and we suddenly discovered that it wasn't the spreading sort,and would have to be given kindly consideration,if we were to supply the demand.Since that time,we have increased it as fast as we could.Last winter,we forced it in five inch pans,and it was fine.And now we have some fine strong young crowns,for flowering this spring.The growth is low,perhaps to twelve inches,and the single yellow flowers are carried above the foliage,continuing over several weeks,on an established plant.The roots make a fine clump,the light green leaves last well into summer,and are always neat and attractive.Seems at home in any good soil.

EACH,-25¢;5 for \$1.00;10 for \$2.00;25 for \$4.50,-POSTPAID.

GAILLARDIA PRESIDENT HOOVER.

Entirely distinct from any other Gaillardia,this variety has grown here for a number of seasons,and increased in favor.There is no yellow in the bloom,save at the center.The petals are an even shade of dull bronze,not red.Those who find the usual coloring of the Gaillardia,to be rather trying,yet want the plentiful midsummer flowering of this old favorite,should try President Hoover,combining it with the new golden yellow Gaillardia Sun God.

25¢ each;5 for \$1.00;10 for \$2.00;25 for \$4.50,-POSTPAID.

GEUM RIVALE LEONARD'S VARIETY.

We all know the splendid flowers of the Geums Mrs.Bradshaw,and Lady Stratheden.And most of us know,too,that they are not at all apt to survive the winter,save at the most unexpected times.So that the Geums have fallen rather into disrepute.But there are varieties that are perfectly hardy and satisfactory.This is one.The plant is strong and vigorous,and makes a good clump of foliage,rough green,round,and lasting well all summer.Above this,to a height of two feet or more,the stems carry nodding single flowers,an inch or more across.The best color description we find,is coppery pink,or old rose.Our own attempt is,-crushed raspberry.This is a plant for specimen use,or,in the large border,for edging,where foliage is appreciated.But the flowers appear early,and continue over a long period,to midsummer.

25¢ each;5 for \$1.00;10 for \$2.00;25 for \$4.50,-POSTPAID.

GEUM LOW ORANGE.

The foliage of this Geum,is very similar to the preceding.It is perhaps,just a little stiffer,not quite so tall,making it better for edging the deep border.The flowers are somewhat larger,one and one half inches across,and a bright clear orange,held quite erect.We have no authority for the name,as the plant came from a visiting friend.But as a specimen,it has the long flowering habit,and its good foliage,to recommend it. Prices are the same as the preceding.

HEMEROCALLIS MRS.W.H.WYMAN.

We are usually asked to name the latest flowering Daylily,and in our experience,this is it.The color is a pale glistening yellow,and the flower is large and well carried.With us,it blossoms thru August.We can recommend it,as does Mr.Betscher,himself. EACH \$1.00,-POSTPAID

OUR NEWEST PERENNIALS.

HEUCHERA BRISOIDES.

Sometimes we feel that the plants we really like, and can grow in the best shape, are the ones people do not buy. Heucheras do exceedingly well here, wintering well, making fine plants in a short time, and in summer our beds are masses of bloom, for weeks on end. We sell lots of them too, but to other nurserymen, for resale. Perhaps the list of varieties is too extensive, and it is difficult to make a choice. If so, we are now naming the four best sorts we have, perhaps you'll take our word for it, and buy them. Brisoides is of the small flowered type, the tiny light pink bells are carried on stiff two foot stems, in large quantities. A single stem makes little color, but a few plants massed, are charming. The stems are ideal for combining with other flowers. If kept cut, this variety will flower for us, from June to October. It will do the same for you, in any light moist soil, for --25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00, -POSTPAID.

HEUCHERA FLAMBEAU.

This Heuchera has the large bells, and the shorter flower stems of the true sanguinea type. It also has the continual flowering habit, which, coupled with its brilliant color, makes it the showiest of the lot. It is somewhat lighter in color than the next variety, but may be combined with it, in a satisfactory manner. Distinct and worth while, with fine foliage, and of easy growth. --25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00, -POSTPAID.

HEUCHERA LA PERLE.

In color this is a deeper red. Otherwise it is almost identical with the preceding. It has been by far the most popular variety--with visiting Nurserymen--and to us it is the best garden sort. A bed of several hundred plants, in flower nearly all summer, is a sight, indeed. We have the plants, wouldn't you like the sight? USUAL PRICES.

HEUCHERA SHELBURNE WHITE.

A foil is needed for the bright red sorts, but all of the white flowered varieties we have had, or seen, were rather muddy white, with small bells. This has nearly clear white flowers, of very good size, good foliage and growth. It appeared here among seedlings, or else in some of the mixed lots which we bought in for named white varieties. It may be the true form of some older white sort. But it is good enough to be given the Shelburne name. --25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00, -POSTPAID.

LILIUM AMABILE.

Some writer has commented disparagingly on the name of this Lily, but we are inclined to disagree. With us, it has proven hardy and easily grown, persistent, and very floriferous. The blooms themselves, are Turkecaps, of a bright orange red, spotted lightly with black. They do resemble a tiger lily, but the color is brighter, and there is a waxy sheen to the segments, that is lacking in *L. tigrinum*. The flowers are smaller, but there are many of them, carried in a mass at the top of a three foot stem. We find them among the showiest of the midsummer lilies, fine for a dry sandy loam, without any ground protection, and better still for planting among low perennials or shrubs. You will have to try them, to arrive at your own conclusions, as to the name being fitting. Our bulbs are extra large and fine, and will flower this year, so that you'll not even have to wait until Fall to decide, if you'll order now. --35¢ each; 5 for \$1.50. PP.

LILIUM TENUIFOLIUM

and

LILIUM TENUIFOLIUM GOLDEN GLEAM.

It does seem as if (after all we have said about them) everyone would want the Coral Lily, and its golden yellow form.
Tenuifolium. --20¢ each; 5 for 75¢; 10 for \$1.50; 100 for \$12.00, -POSTPAID.
Golden Gleam. --35¢ each; 5 for \$1.50; 10 for \$3.00; 100 for \$25.00, -POSTPAID.

OUR NEWEST PERENNIALS.

PODOPHYLLUM PELTATUM.

The word Mandrake conveys varied impressions. The first perhaps is medicinal; the next of swampy ground; and to a few, it recalls the May-Apple of youthful days. As to its medicinal value, we make no claims. But as a swamp plant it will grow in ordinary moist garden loam, if given a little shade. Personally, in more mature days, we find the May Apple flavor a disappointment, -like many other childhood memories. But it is an edible berry, if you insist.

If you have a thicket of shrubs, on soil not too stony and dry, you will find the Mandrake will thrive among the roots. It will grow under Apple trees; the north side of buildings, and in other places in the garden which are difficult to cover. And as the large leaves unfold, and attain size, until they overlap; until much later they yellow and die, they are interesting, unusual, and useful. The white flowers are hidden by the leaves, and the berry that follows is red. Grows about eight inches high, from spreading fleshy roots. -25¢ each; 10 for \$1.50; 100 for \$12.00, -PP.

PENSTEMON GRANDIFLORUS.

The Beardstongues are almost entirely, if not wholly, an American plant family. But of all the varied forms native to this continent, none holds our interest more than does this one. Many we have found not to be hardy. Some are too much so. Others have no charm of coloring. This is hardy, does not take over the garden, and is charming at all times. The glaucous blue leaves form a flat rosette, in Spring and Fall. In June the flower stem stands sturdily erect to about two feet, with leaves of the same grey-blue. The flowers are in a spike at the top, each individual one being an inch or more long, and half an inch across - rosy purple tubes which blend beautifully with the foliage. After flowering, when cut down, the plant foliage is immediately good again. A native of the western Plains country, it stands dry conditions, and seems at home on any except the coldest and wettest soils. If you have never grown this plant, won't you try just one, on our recommendation. Please!

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

TEUCHRIUM CHAMAEDRYIS.

The extremely hard winter of 1933-34, proved too much for this plant in our fields, and in many gardens all over the country. Having praised it rather strongly as a substitute for Boxwood, in the colder part of the country, where a narrow close dark green edging plant was desired, we were rather upset, and decided to find out what the plant would stand. Our beds in the fields were not covered last Fall, and while the tops cut to the ground, this past Winter, green growth is already showing at the base. If you want to edge a formal bed, or garden, with a 6-8" close clipped border, this plant offers the best substitute for Boxwood that we know. It is also a fine specimen plant for the Rockery, with 15" stems of rosy purple flowers, in late summer. -25¢ each; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

VERONICA LONGIFOLIA SUBSESSILIS.

This was new a long time ago. But in nineteen years of growing hardy plants, never have we known a time when it was really plentiful. Last summer, unusual facilities made it possible to increase our plants very heavily. We have some fine plants, this Spring, already showing above the ground. In July and later, the bed will be a mass of foot long spikes of dark blue flowers, on 20 inch stems covered with dark green foliage -- unless someone buys a lot of them. We like flowers, but we feel certain they will bring us all more pleasure if less closely planted. So, if you want the very best dark blue midsummer flower, order some of these, mass in threes or fives, and give water plentifully when the buds appear. Can't see how you'll lose by that.

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

CHOICE ROCKERY PLANTS.

We call your attention to the following, as among the best small plants.

ANEMONE VERNALIS.

Just as soon as the snow left the beds, we lifted the straw covering and found the furry buds of the Lady of the Snows, already showing. The long cold late Spring has kept them from opening, but a few warm days will spread the silken cups, white flushed pink, with their cluster of golden yellow stamens, and they'll delight us for a week or more--and the bees as well. Some say this is difficult. Here it grows easily, in light, poor, sandy loam, that may have quite a bit of lime in it. We think that good drainage, and not too rich a soil, suit it best. Finely divided dark green foliage is good all summer. Fluffy seed heads.

Each, -25¢; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

EUPHORBIA MYRSINITES

One of the larger things, suited to rockery planting, this Spurge is quite distinct. It grows in a sprawling mat of grey blue stems with pointed leaves of the same color, at the tips of which, in May, open showy yellow bracts, enclosing tiny yellow flowers. At its flowering, it is decidedly showy, and at all times the sprawling stems, will attract attention. One of the best plants for a dry sunny spot. USUAL PRICES.

IRIS CRISTATA ALBA.

The tiny crested Iris is well known, with its sprawling roots forming close mats to hold banks and to carpet them in Spring with pale green leaves and pale lavender flowers. This white form has a charm all its own, to say nothing of the charm of rareness. We have some fine strong roots, that will flower this year, if ordered at once.

50¢ each, -POSTPAID.

TALINUM CALYCIUM.

If you have a dry sunny spot, where nothing grows too well, here is a little succulent which came to us from the Ozark Mountain region. It is usually hardy here, and when it fails to winter, we are always able to get seedlings a little later, which will flower well the first summer. So that, if you get a few roots, and permit them to seed, you are likely always to have it. However, it is not weedy, and may be easily eradicated. The fleshy root does not penetrate deeply, and the stem and foliage are much like the Portulaca. The flowers are carried on slender wire-like stems nearly a foot high. They are a bright rosy purple, with a center of yellow stamens, and open singly, at mid-day. All afternoon, the stems sway gently in the summer breezes--if any. And without the breeze, they are still very worth while. --25¢ each; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -PP.

THYMUS LAMUGINOSUS.

Every visitor, seeing our large bed of the Woolly Thyme, will ask, -'What's that'; for it looks like a grey carpet, with a deep heavy nap. On sandy loam, not too damp, this thyme is fully at home, and old plots are six inches deep, soft to walk, sit, or lie on. While it is not so good for planting in walks and between flags, as the Mother of Thyme, -for it will bruise more easily, and show the bruise, it is splendid for use to cover a large area, holding it against washing, and really making a soft mat, to lie on. Aromatic of course, with the true Thyme fragrance.

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

VIOLA PEDATA.

Tho not native here, this Viola is common to a large portion of the country, and it grows readily in our loam, and is fully hardy. We have both the blue form, and the bicolor, or blue and white form. Fine in full sun, or partial shade, in the rockery. Either form at USUAL PRICES.

SMALL POTTED PLANTS.

All the following, from small pots, suitable for immediate planting in the garden, to give flower this season, are still available.

ASTER FRIKARTI.

One of the most popular plant items, this season, is this low branching hardy Aster, which flowers in September. We have been successful in our propagating, and still have a good supply. Planted at once, you will have a single stemmed plant, about 18 inches high, this Fall, with many dozens of single, lavender blue flowers, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches across. 25¢ each, only. PP.

CAMPANULA BELLARDI MIRANDA.

The smallest plants have the longest names, invariably. This grows not over three inches high with us, making a close mat of tiny light green foliage, very thick and clean looking. The tubular pale blue flowers are carried on short stems just above the leaves, and are produced quite freely all summer, after a June flush of bloom. Very fine for the Rockery.

3 for 50¢; 10 for \$1.25; 100 for \$10.00. Each 25¢. POSTPAID.

CHRYSANTHEMUM AMELIA.

Having said almost too much about Amelia so far this year, we will only add this. Our plants in the field have again wintered perfectly. We have been short of the demand, all spring, but we hope now that we shall have an ample supply, from the cuttings taken from the field bed. Send your order at once, for this dwarf double pink, early flowering, perfectly hardy, everblooming Chrysanthemum--do you know any other adjectives?.

3 for 50¢; 10 for \$1.25; 100 for \$10.00. Each 25¢. POSTPAID

GAILLARDIA SUN GOD.

No longer plentiful, but still able to accept orders for this clear bright golden flowered Gaillardia. No finer new plant for the hardy border, is to be had this season. 35¢ each, POSTPAID.

SILENE WHERRYI.

This is an easily grown form of *Silene pennsylvanica*. With us, it grew nicely in ordinary garden loam, in full sun. The flowers are an attractive shade of clear pink, on branching stems about 8 inches long.

3 for 50¢; 10 for \$1.25; 100 for \$10.00. Each 25¢. POSTPAID.

VIOLA JERSEY GEM.

We have this fine Viola, and all the following sorts, now beginning to bloom, in their pots in the greenhouse. Planted at once, they will continue to flower, and will increase in size, all summer. Jersey Gem, can hardly need description. It's the perky little blue Viola, with the slightly twisted petals, dark green foliage, in neat compact mounds, that you so admired in your neighbors' garden last summer, and intended to have this year.

3 for 50¢; 10 for \$1.25; 100 for \$10.00. Each 25¢. POSTPAID.

VIOLA MAGGIE MOTT.

We only wish you might all see the long bed of this fine Viola, now in flower in the small pots. The fragrant, pale lavender flowers, are round and many are nearly 2 inches across. This year, if you can't buy but one Viola, and haven't this, be sure to buy Maggie Mott. USUAL PRICES ABOVE.

VIOLA MOSELEY PERFECTION.

The perfect yellow Viola, to combine with Maggie Mott, and perfect anyway. A clear golden color. USUAL VIOLA PRICES ABOVE.

VIOLA WHITE JERSEY GEM.

Exactly like Jersey Gem, save that it is a fine clear white. The best white Viola.

USUAL PRICES.

CANTERBURY BELLS.

The winter was kind to all our plants, and our beds of Canterbury Bells never looked better. They were fine to begin with, last fall. We have them in the singles only, but in three colors, pink, lavender and white, so that if you wish, you may have assortments or solid colors in your beds. If you wish them by color, please state your choice.

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

SWEET WILLIAMS.

These too have wintered better than usual, and were fine strong young plants last fall. Nothing better for a patch of bright color in June and July. We can mix them for you, or we offer them in Blood Red, Pink Beauty, and Diadematus. Please state color choice.

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

HOLLYHOCKS.

Owing to the severe losses of winter before last, these were very scarce last season. For your replanting needs, we have strong young plants, in mixed colors, both single and double. Please state choice.

25¢ each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$18.00, -POSTPAID.

PANSIES.

Our strain of Pansies, known as Rainbow Giants, represent the finest development of a New England grower. We knew they were very fine, from our experiences with them in past years. But now that our plants in small pots, in a protected frame, have begun flowering, we can be sure of their quality and size. At this time, we offer you strong plants from the field, not yet in flower at the following prices.

15¢ each; 5 for 60¢; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.00; 100 for \$6.00, -PP.

LILIUM AURATUM.

LILIUM SPECIOSUM RUBRUM.

We have received a very fine lot of these popular bulbs in our Japanese importations, larger and firmer, better in every way, than we have had for some years past. They are still dormant, and may be planted with every expectation and probability of successful flowering, this year. EITHER SORT, -35¢ each; 10 for \$3.00; 100 for \$25.00, -POSTPAID.

ONE CENT SALE.

As an added inducement to ordering your needed plants, within the next 15 days, we have decided to try the One Cent Sale idea. Never have heard of its being used with plants before, but there is no reason why it will not work out to your advantage. But your orders must reach us before May 16th.

One plant of any kind, at regular rates. Two plants, for 1¢ additional. 10 plants for \$2.00; 11 plants for \$2.01 - 101 plants for \$18.01.

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